Idaho's Career Pathways

Arts and Communications Career Pathway

The Arts and Communications career pathway includes programs related to the humanities and to the performing, visual, literary, and media arts. These include architecture, creative writing, film and cinema studies, fine arts, graphic design and production, journalism, foreign languages, radio and television broadcasting, advertising, and public relations.



Business and Management Career Pathway

The Business and Management career pathway includes programs related to the business environment. These may include entrepreneurship, sales, marketing, hospitality and tourism, computer/information systems, finance, accounting, personnel, economics, and management.



Health Services Career Pathway

The Health Services career pathway includes programs related to the promotion of health as well as the treatment of injuries, conditions, and disease. These may include medicine, dentistry, nursing, therapy and rehabilitation, nutrition, fitness, and hygiene.



Human Resources Career Pathway

The Human Resources career pathway includes programs related to economic, political, and social systems. These may include education, law and legal studies, law enforcement, public administration, child and family services, religion, and social services.



Industrial and Engineering Career Pathway

The Industrial and Engineering career pathway includes programs related to the technologies necessary to design, develop, install, or maintain physical systems. These may include engineering and related technologies, mechanics and repair, manufacturing and design technology, precision production, electronics, and construction.



Natural Resources Career Pathway

The Natural Resources career pathway includes programs related to the environment and natural resources. These may include agriculture, earth sciences, environmental sciences, fisheries management, forestry, horticulture, and wildlife management.





The Arts and Communications career pathway includes programs related to the humanities and to the performing, visual, literary, and media arts. These include architecture, creative writing, film and cinema studies, fine arts, graphic design and production, journalism, foreign languages, radio and television broadcasting, advertising, and public relations.

Recommended Courses for the Arts and Communications Pathway

- Keyboarding/Intro to Computers -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Creative Writing, Literature, Journalism, Applied English
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2; Advanced Math Course
- Science Anatomy, Biology, Botany, Chemistry, Applied Physics
- Required Courses U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- Humanities Art, Photography, Drawing & Painting, Graphic Design, Ceramics &
- Foreign Language French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Latin
- Fine Arts Theater Arts. Humanities
- Music Band, Choir, Music
- Business/Marketing Computers, Accounting, Business Law, Financial Management
- Family and Consumer Sciences Apparel & Housing, Teen Living, Adult Living, Career & Personal Development, Fashion Merchandising
- Agriculture Landscaping, Horticulture Technology Computer-Aided Drafting, Communication Technology, Printing and Graphic Arts
- Work-based Learning Community opportunities in the arts or graphic communications

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan Here is one example.

Career Goal -- Graphic Design

Year 9:

Career and Personal Development

English I

Reading & Speech

Art I

Principles of Technology

Applied Math I

Year 11:

Algebra II Biology

Creative Writing Foreign Language

Graphic Design **US History**

Year 10:

Drafting/CAD **Technical Writing** Applied Math II

Art II

Health/Physical Education

Social Studies

Year 12:

Printing/Graphics Journalism/Literature Foreign Language Photography

American Government Media Production

Plans Beyond High School -- Graphic Design course of study



Teachers organize themselves into pathways instead of just discipline

departments.

The Business and Management career pathway includes programs related to the business environment. These include entrepreneurship, sales, marketing, hospitality and tourism, computer/information systems, finance, accounting, personnel, economics, and management.



Recommended Courses for the Business and Management Pathway

- Keyboarding/Intro to Computers -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Creative Writing, Literature, Journalism, Business Writing, Applied English
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2; Business Math
- Science Anatomy, Biology, Botany, Chemistry, Applied Physics
- Required Courses U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- Business Computers, Accounting, Business Law, Financial Management
- Marketing/Management—Marketing, Business Management
- Family and Consumer Sciences Food Service and Hospitality Management, Career & Personal Development, Personal & Family Finance/Consumer Economics
- Agriculture Agricultural Business and Leadership
- Work-based Learning Cooperative Education and Internships in the areas of Business or Marketing

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan.

Here is one example.

Students may
want to select
more than one
pathway. For
example, a student
interested in hospital
administration may
wish to select courses
from both the Business
Management
and Health Services
pathways.



Career Goal -- Accounting

Year 9:

Computer Applications

Algebra I Earth Science English I

Reading & Speech

Communication Technology

Year 11:

Computerized Accounting

Algebra II

Principles of Technology

Economics English III US History Year 10:

Business Computer Applications Biology or App. Biology/Chemistry English II

Humanities Elective

Health & Physical Education Geometry

Year 12:

Business Technology Chemistry or Physics Applied English

American Government Cooperative Education

Plans Beyond High School – Accounting degree course of study



Teachers and administrators can advise students within a pathway. By having teachers and students select a career pathway, teachers can become knowledgeable about careers and help students and parents to develop an educational plan.



The Health Services career pathway includes programs related to the promotion of health as well as the treatment of injuries, conditions, and disease. These may include medicine, dentistry, nursing, therapy and rehabilitation, nutrition, fitness, and hygiene.

Recommended Courses for the Health Services Career Pathway

- Keyboarding/Intro to Computers -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Creative Writing, Literature, Journalism, Technical Writing
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2;
 Advanced Math Course
- Science Applied Biology and Chemistry, Principles of Technology, Anatomy and Physiology
- Required Courses U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- **Social Studies** Sociology, Psychology
- Health Occupations—Health Occupations 1, Health Occupations 2
- Family and Consumer Sciences Nutrition & Foods, Family Health & Wellness, Food Science, Career & Personal Development
- Physical Education First Aid
- Work-based Learning Clinical Experiences in the Health Field

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan.



By discovering students' dependable strengths, students and parents are able to make informed choices about education.

Here is one example.

Career Goal -- Nurse

Year 9:

Applied Math I Earth Science English I

Reading & Speech Humanities Elective

Economics

Year 11:

Health Occupations I

Algebra II

Principles of Technology English III US History

Sociology

Year 10:

Exploratory Careers/Health Occ.

Applied Math II

Biology or Applied Biology & Chemistry

English II

Reading & Speech

Health & Physical Education

Year 12:

Health Occupations II

Chemistry
Applied English
Humanities Elective
American Government

Psychology

Plans Beyond High School – Health Occupations course of study



Printing course
offerings by
career pathways
begins
the process of
making
connections
among courses,
and between
schools and the
world of work.

The Human Resources career pathway includes programs related to economic, political, and social systems. These may include education, law and legal studies, law enforcement, public administration, child and family services, religion, and social services.



Recommended Courses for the Human Resources Pathway

- **Keyboarding/Intro to Computers** -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Creative Writing, Literature, Journalism, Applied English
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2;
 Advanced Math Course
- Science Applied Biology and Chemistry, Principles of Technology, Anatomy and Physiology
- **Required Courses** U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- Family and Consumer Sciences Child Development, Food Service & Hospitality Management, Occupational Child & Adult Care, Apparel & Housing, Nutrition & Foods, Teen Living, Adult Living, Career & Personal Development, Personal & Family Finance/Consumer Economics, Family Health & Wellness
- **Health Occupations** Health Occupations 1, Health Occupations 2
- Humanities Art, Photography, Drawing & Painting, Graphic Design, Ceramics & Jewelry
- Work-based Learning Cooperative Education in the Field of Human Services

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan.

Pathways
provide direction
not tracking.
Students should
explore options
and change
pathways
whenever
they find one
better suited
to their strengths
and weaknesses.



Here is one example.

Career Goal -- Child Life Specialists

Year 9:

Career & Personal Development Applied Math I or Algebra I Applied Biology & Chemistry

English 9 Social Studies Elective

Year 11:

Parenting & Child Development

Algebra II Adult Living

English 11

US History

Family Health & Wellness

Year 10:

Nutrition & Foods or Teen Living Applied Math 2 or Algebra 2

Biology English 10

Sociology or Psychology Reading & Speech

Year 12:

Occupations Child Care

Advanced Math

Principles of Technology/Chemistry

English 12 or Applied English

Government

Cooperative Education

Plans Beyond High School – Child Development course of study

The Industrial and Engineering career pathway includes programs related to technologies necessary to design, develop, install, or maintain physical systems. These may include engineering and related technologies, mechanics and repair, manufacturing, precision production, electronics, and construction.

Recommended Courses for the Industrial and Engineering Pathway

- **Keyboarding/Intro to Computers** -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Technical Writing, Journalism
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2;
 Advanced Math Course
- Science Applied Biology and Chemistry, Approved Agricultural Science Courses, Chemistry, Biology, Physics
- Required Courses U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- Family and Consumer Sciences Apparel & Housing, Career & Personal Development, Personal & Family Finance/Consumer Economics, Food Science, Teen Living, Adult Living
- Trade/Technical Principles of Technology, Automotive Technology, Building Trades, Electronics Technology, Drafting, Industrial Mechanics,
- Technological Education Communications Technology, Power,
 Energy & Transportation Technology, Drafting, Industrial Mechanics,
 Printing & Graphic Arts, Welding, Precision Machining
- Humanities Ceramics & Jewelry
- Agriculture Small Gas Engines, Welding Technology
- Business and Marketing Computers, Accounting, Business Law, Marketing
- Work-based Learning Cooperative Education in Industrial or Engineering Fields, Apprenticeships

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan.

Here is one example.

Career Goal -- Electronics Technician

Year 9:

Introduction to Technology Applied Math I

Earth Science English I

Reading & Speech

Principles of Technology

Year 11:

Chemistry Algebra II English III

Intro. to Electronics Tech.

US History

Computer-Aided Design

Year 10:

Power/Energy & Transportation Tech Humanities Elective

Applied Math II

Biology or Applied Biology/Chemistry

English II

Year 12:

Electronics II Tech.
Intro to Electronic Drafting
Work-based Learning

Calculus

Technical Writing
American Government

Plans beyond High School – Electronics course of study

Pathways show students how education is an important part of preparing for life and work.



Integration of academic and vocational education makes possible a career pathway connecting education with the world of work.

The Natural Resources career pathway includes programs related to the environment and natural resources. These may include agriculture, earth sciences, environmental sciences, fisheries management, forestry, horticulture, and wildlife management.



Recommended Courses for the Natural Resource Pathway

- Keyboarding/Intro to Computers -Recommended for all career pathways
- English Technical Writing, Journalism, Applied English
- Math Applied Math 1 & 2, Algebra 2; or Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2;
 Advanced Math Course
- Science Applied Biology and Chemistry, Principles of Technology, Anatomy and Physiology, Approved Agriculture Courses
- **Required Courses** U.S. History, American Government, Economics, Humanities, Physical Education, Health, Speech, Reading
- Agriculture Horticulture, Landscaping, Agriculture Business and Leadership, Livestock Production, Natural Resources Conservation
- Business/Marketing Computers, Accounting, Business Law, Financial Management, Marketing
- Family and Consumer Sciences Parenting and Child Development, Food Service & Hospitality Management, Apparel and Housing, Food Science, Nutrition & Foods
- Trade/Technical Drafting, Mechanics, Welding, Construction Technology
- Work-based Learning Supervised Agricultural Experience Program

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Working within one or more career pathways, students can develop an educational plan.

Pathways
provide a
mechanism to
eliminate a low
level general
track that does
not prepare
students for
further
education or
the world of
work.

Here is one example.

Career Goal -- Wildlife Specialists

Year 9:

Intro to Agriculture Education Personal Skill Development Applied Math I Earth Science English I Reading & Speech

Year 11:

US History

Botany/Horticulture/Plant Science Algebra II Biology English III Humanities Elective

Year 10:

Botany/Plant and Soil Science Applied Math II Biology Applied Biology/Chemistry Applied Math II Humanities Elective Health & Physical Education

Year 12:

Zoology/Fish & Wildlife Science Principles of Technology Applied English or English IV Humanities Elective American Government Economics

Plans Beyond High School - Natural Resources curriculum



Career guidance is a key to helping students make informed choices about career pathways and which courses to select. The Dependable Strengths process will help students discover a pathway.